

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Applicant: § Group Art Unit: 1791
Guido NYKIEL, et al. §
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Filed: May 5, 2005 §
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Serial No.: 10/534,009 § Examiner: Russell J. Kemmerle III
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For: Method for Preparing a Mineral Melt § Attorney Docket No.: 016273-00400
§ (RC 111202/PCT/US)

Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF 19 AUGUST 2008

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 19, 2008, please amend the above-referenced application as follows: